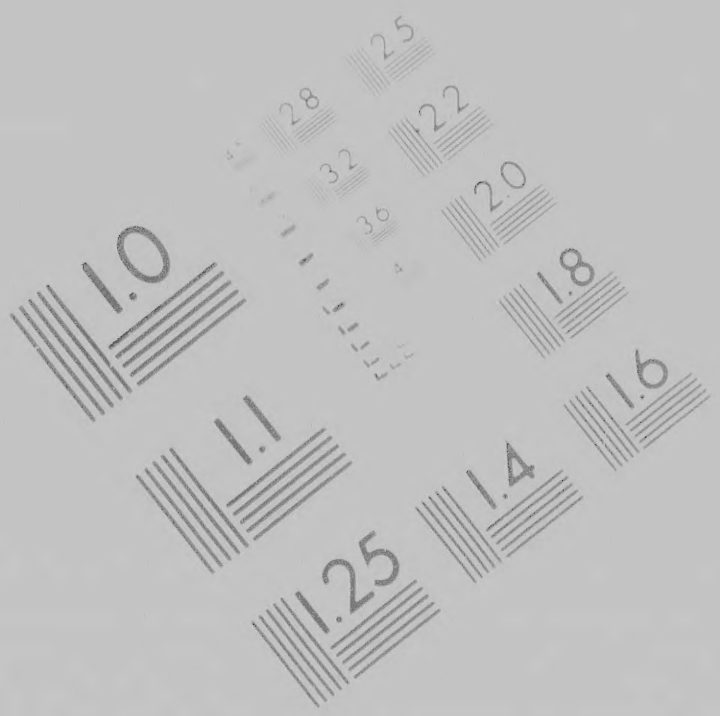
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WHEREAS Proviſional Articles were ſigned at Paris, on the Thir th Day of N
States of America, for treating of Peace, and the Miniſter Plenipo tiary of His
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tween their Moſt Chriſtian and Britannic Majeſties: And whereas Prelimina for reſtoring
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ſtoring Peace between the ſaid King of Great-Britain and the King of Spain, wer alſo ſigned at

By which ſaid Preliminary Articles it hath been agreed, That as ſoon as the ſame were ratifi
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after the Space of Twelve Days from the Ratification of the ſaid Preliminary Art cles, ſhould b
and North Seas as far as the Canary Iſlands inclufively, whether in the Ocean or th Mediterrane
tial Line or Equator; and laſtly, Five Months in all other Parts of the World, w hout any Ex
whereas it was declared, by the Miniſter Plenipotentiary of the King of Great-B itain, in the
Twentieth Day of January laſt, that the ſaid United States of America, their Subjects and their
Arms, at the ſame Epochs, and in the ſame Manner, as the Three Crowns above mentioned, t
the Part and in the Name of the United States of America, a ſimilar Declaration ſhall be deliv
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n as the ſame were ratified, Hoſtilities between the ſaid Kings, their Kingdoms, States and
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inary Art cles, ſhould be reſtored; that the Term ſhould be One Month from the Channel
ean or th Mediterranean; Two Months from the ſaid Canary Iſlands as far as the Equinoc-
World, w hout any Exception, or more particular Deſcription of Time or Place: And
of Great-B itain, in the Name and by the expreſs Order of the King his Maſter, on the ſaid
their Subjects and their Poſſeſſions, ſhall be compriſed in the above mentioned Suſpenſion of
ons above mentioned, their Subjects and Poſſeſſions reſpectively; upon Condition that, on
Declaration ſhall be delivered, expreſsly declaring their Aſſent to the ſaid Suſpenſion of Arms,
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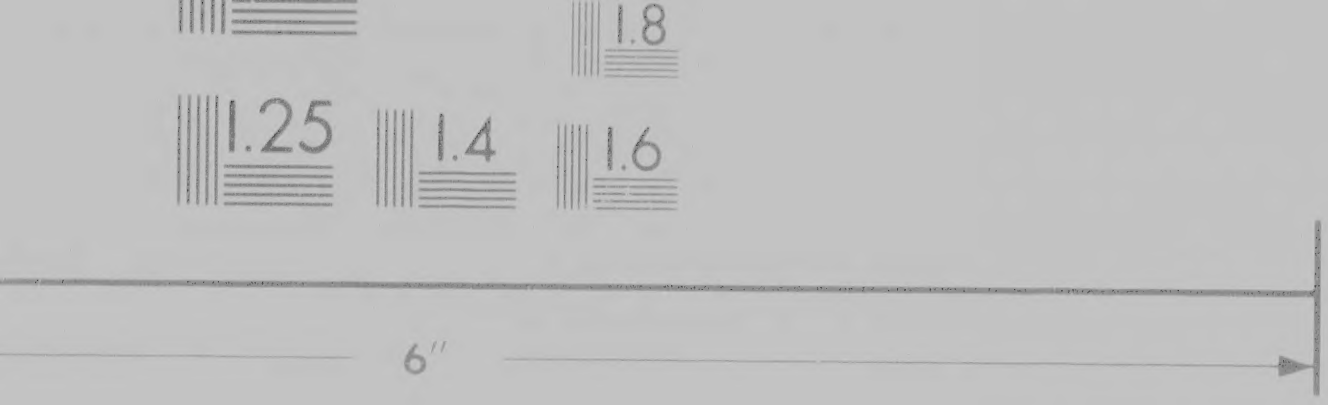

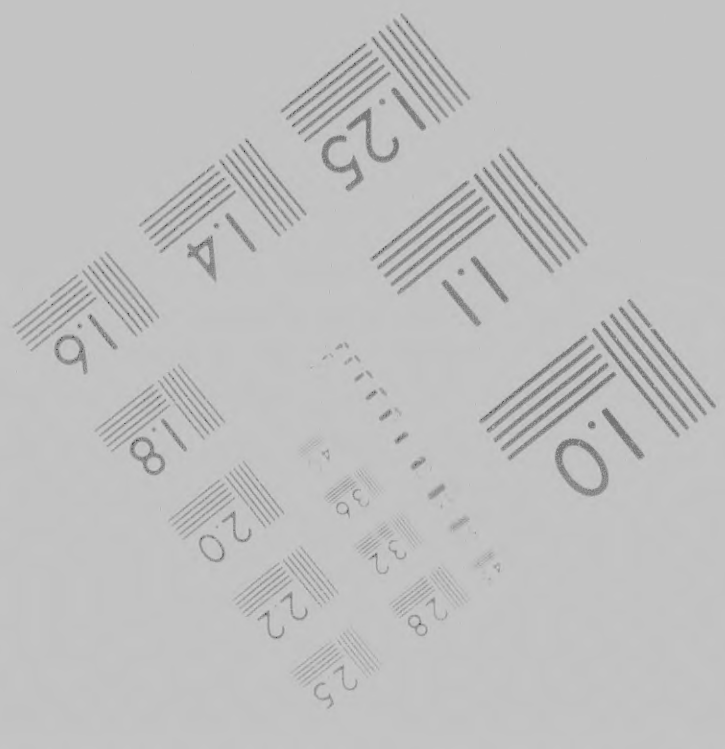

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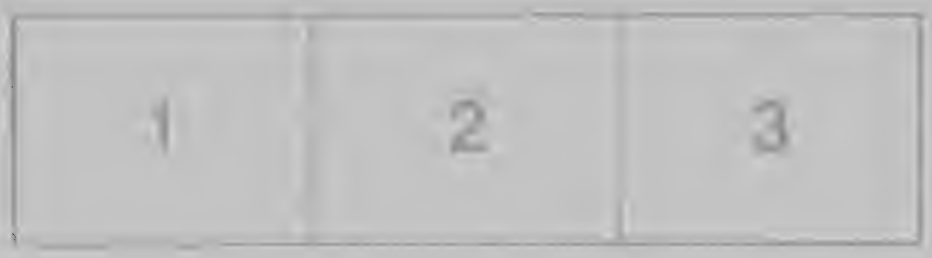

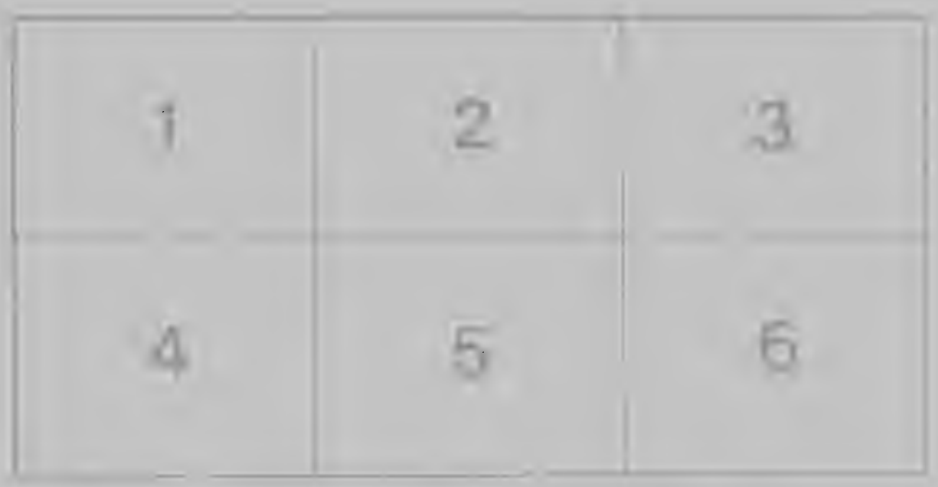

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Twentieth Day of January, in the Name and by the Authority of the ſaid United States, accep
all Hoſtilities to ceaſe againſt His Britannic Majeſty, his Subjects and his Poſſeſſions, at the Ter
Great-Britain, His Majeſty the King of France, and His Majeſty the King of Spain, ſo a
Three Crowns, and to produce the ſame Effects: And whereas the Ratifications of the ſaid Pr
jeſties were exchanged by their Miniſters on the Third Day of February laſt, and between His
bruary laſt: And whereas it is Our Will and Pleaſure, that the Ceſſation of Hoſtilities
ſhould be conformable to the Epochs fixed between their Moſt Chriſtian and Britannic

WE have thought fit to make known the ſame to the Citizens of theſe St and We hen
Land, and others, Subjects of theſe United States, to forbear all Acts of Hoſtility, either by
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AND We do further
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DONE in Congreſs, at Philadelphia,
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declaration shall be delivered, expreſsly declaring their Aſſent to the ſaid Suſpenſion of Arms,
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s Poſſeſſions, at the Terms and Epochs agreed upon between His ſaid Majeſty the King of
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tifications of the ſaid Preliminary Articles between their Moſt Chriſtian and Britannic Ma-
laſt, and between His Britannic Majeſty and the King of Spain on the Ninth Day of Feb
ceſſation of Hoſtilities between the United States of America and His Britannic Majeſty
hriſtian and Britannic Majeſties:

heſe States and We hereby ſtrictly charge and command all our Officers, both by Sea and
s of Military, either by Sea or Land, againſt His Britannic Majeſty or his Subjects, from
ian and Britannic Majeſties as aforeſaid.

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